

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)

v.)

JAMES ATHANS,)

also known as "Meatball;")

JOSEPH GRILLO)

No.)

Hon. Sidney I. Schenkier)

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**GOVERNMENT'S MOTION TO SEAL
COMPLAINT AND AFFIDAVIT, AND ARREST WARRANTS**

The UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, by PATRICK J. FITZGERALD, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, respectfully requests that this Court seal the criminal complaint and Affidavit, and arrest warrants in this matter.

The public filing of these documents in this matter before the arrests can be effectuated could alert defendants and result in their flight and the destruction of evidence. Additionally, if the Affidavit was to be made part of the public record at this time, the integrity of the grand jury investigation could be jeopardized.

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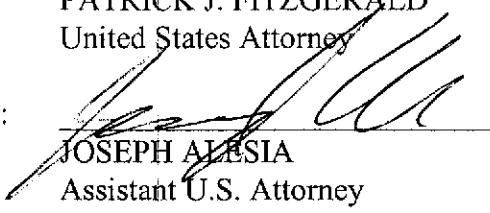
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For these reasons, the government respectfully requests that the above-captioned documents, as well as this Motion to Seal and Court's Order, be sealed until the arrest of either of the above-captioned defendants is effectuated.

Respectfully submitted,

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